

Ind. 4:102, 1883; Cooke, Fl. Pres. Bomb. 2:190, 1904; Gamble, Fl. Madras Pres. 876, 1923. *Centaurium roxburghii* (D. Don) Druce in Rep. Bot. Exch. Club. Brit. Isl. 4:614, 1916 (1917); Santapau in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. 16 (1):181, 1953. *Erythraea roxburghii* var. *saxatilis* C. B. Clarke *l.c.* 104.

(2) *Salacia salacioides* (Roxb.) Rolla Rao et Hemadri *comb. nov.* *Johnia salacioides* Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 5, 1814, *nom. nud.*) Fl. Ind. 1:172, 1820 & 1:168, 1832; DC. Prodr. 1:571, 1824. *Salacia roxburghii* Wall. [Cat. no. 4217, 1831, *nom. nud.*] ex Wt. & Arn. Prodr. 105, 1834; Lawson in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1:627, 1875.

Critical study of the Wallichian sheets and other material cited as synonyms under this species by Lawson and Wight & Arnott has clarified the following points:

(a) Only Wallich's Cat. nos. 4217 & 4217c and Roxburgh's Ic. no. 1520 belong to the present species. (b) ? *Indeterminata* Wall. Cat. no. 4291 belongs to *Cassine glauca* (Rottb.) O. Ktze. and not the present taxon as doubted by Lawson (*l.c.*). (c) The taxon in question is mostly confined to Assam forests, extending up to lower Fagu in Bhutan (*H. H. Haines* 1048 on 1-2-1905, DD). (d) *Salacia roxburghii* of Dalz. et Gibs. (Bomb. Fl. 33, 1861) from Ramghat of Western Ghats is definitely a misidentification and possibly represents *Salacia beddomei* Gamble (Kew Bull. 1916:133, 1916). (e) *Salacia cochinchinensis* Lour. and *S. chinensis* Linn. indicated by Lawson (*l.c.*) as doubtful synonyms do not belong to this taxon but are distinct species by themselves.

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27. NOMENCLATURE OF TWO INDIAN PLANTS

1. *Justicia santapau* Bennet *nom. nov.*

J. montana (Nees) T. Anderson in J. Linn. Soc. 10:509, 1867; Clarke in Hooker's Fl. Brit. Ind. 4:525, 1885; Santapau in Univ. Bomb. Bot. Mem. 2:85, 1951, non Roxb. (1805).

Hemichoriste montana Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3:102, 1832 & in DC. Prodr. 11:367, 1847.

The epithet *montana* cannot be used for this plant under *Justicia* as used by T. Anderson and followed by others, because of the earlier

name *Justicia montana* Roxb. (Pl. Corom. 2:t 176, 1805) for an entirely different plant. As there is no other validly published name for this species, it is here named after Dr. H. Santapau, whose contributions to Indian botany are valuable.

2. Dalzell (in Hooker's J. Bot. 3:282, 1851) described an Orchidaceous species *Micropera viridiflora* from Western India. In 1859 Lindley (J. Proc. Linn. Soc. Bot. 3:36) transferred Dalzell's species to *Saccolabium* under the name *Saccolabium viridiflorum* and in 1891 O. Kuntze (Rev. Gen. Pl. 2:661) made a combination *Gastrochilus viridiflorus* based on *Saccolabium viridiflorum* Lindley. Cooke in 1907 (Fl. Pres. Bomb. 2:697) transferred Dalzell's species to *Sarcochilus*, but the name is a latter homonym of *Sarcochilus viridiflorus* (Thw.) Hooker f. (Fl. Brit. Ind. 6:385, 1890), which was based on a different type, *Aërides viridiflorum* Thwaites (Enum. 4305 1864) which occurs in Ceylon. So, for Dalzell's plant under *Sarcochilus*, Santapau (Kew Bull. 498, 1948) gave the new name *Sarcochilus dalzellianus*. Then in 1962 Santapau & Kapadia (J. Bomb. nat. Hist. Soc. 59:842) made the combination *Gastrochilus dalzellianus*, based on *Sarcochilus dalzellianus* Sant., because they thought the name *Gastrochilus viridiflorus* (Lindl.) O. Ktze. is applicable to another plant and not for Dalzell's plant. The correct name and citation for Dalzell's plant under *Gastrochilus* should be

Gastrochilus viridiflorus (Dalz.) O. Ktze. Rev. Gen. Pl. 2:661, 1891.
Micropera viridiflora Dalz. in Hooker's J. Bot. 3:282, 1851.

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28. ON THE OCCURRENCE OF *BUDDLEJA DAVIDII* FRANCH. (LOGANIACEAE) IN INDIA

Buddleja davidii Franch, a native of China, perhaps introduced long ago for cultivation in gardens as an ornamental plant, is now naturalized in Simla and other Himalayan hill-stations. This is the first report of its occurrence in wild state from India. A concise description is given.

Buddleja davidii Franch. in Nouv. Arch. Mus. Paris Ser 2 (10):65, 1887-88; Marquand in Kew Bull. 196, 1930; Backer & Bakh. f. in Fl. Java 2:212, 1965. *B. variabilis* Hemsl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. Bot. 26:120, 1889.